



## UNEARTHED CONSPIRACY

### Attempt to Steal Government Information.

### TRIED TO SELL LETTERS

### Important Testimony in Walsh Case Was to Have Been Taken.

### STENOGRAPHER AND PRINTER

### Woman Admits Having Taken Letters From Office of District Attorney—Says She Never Conferred With Gordee—Thought Walsh People Would Pay.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—Government officials believe that the arrest of Miss Etta McLean, stenographer, and Alexander B. Gordee, printer, have uncovered a conspiracy to steal the government's information in the John R. Walsh case. Walsh was former president of the Chicago National Bank, under indictment for alleged misappropriation of funds of the bank. Both prisoners were arraigned today. Neither was prepared to plead. Walsh's attorney said that Gordee had offered to sell him important information but he declined the offer without discussing details.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—Captain Porter, of the United States Secret Service declared to the court that Miss McLean had admitted to him she had taken letters from the office of the district attorney; that she told him she had conferred with Gordee and they had concluded if the Walsh people knew of the existence of certain letters they would be willing to pay well to get them. The woman declared, according to Porter, she never knew whether Gordee had seen Walsh or any of his attorneys.

### FIGHT FOR CONTROL.

Present Management Not Liked by the Stockholders.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—A fight for control of the Lake Superior Corporation, a \$40,000,000 company built up after the ruinous collapse of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company in 1903 is manifested by a busy gathering of stockholders' proxies. The adjourned annual meeting of the board of directors is to be held in Jersey City next Thursday. Strong Philadelphia interests represented by J. Tainall Lea and Francis B. Reeves, president of the Girard National Bank of that city, are said to be at work to oust Charles B. Orvis and Francis H. Clague, both of New York, who have been on the board since the reorganization. The effort of the Philadelphia interests to overthrow the New York interests dates from just before the last meeting of the directors. The meeting broke up in disorder. Dissatisfaction with the present management of the company is understood to be the reason for the opposition. Several of the plants of the company are in the Sault Ste Marie region.

### STEEL INTERESTS CONFER.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 1.—Representatives of the principal steel producing companies of the country are said to have held a series of conferences in this city in the past week looking to the re-establishment of the old billet pool. There is said to be reason to believe that an understanding was reached by which the trade will be saved from threatened ruinous competitions.

### OCEAN RATES HIGHER.

Steamship Companies Will Provide Plenty of Room.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Ocean freight rates to Europe are from 10 to 20 per cent higher, and they are likely to go still higher before they reach their former level, but there is no fear of a scarcity of room in spite of the in-

creased exports to which the shippers are looking forward this fall.

It is reckoned by the shippers that there are 141,000,000 bushels of wheat available for export to Europe this year. There will also be a very heavy exportation of flour. It is the opinion of steamship companies that this will be the largest factor in the freight situation but there has also been an increased export of copper.

### CENSORS PAPER.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 1.—Local Socialists who received today their copies of the "Appeal to Reason," a Socialist paper with a large circulation, published at Girard, Kan., were astonished to note a big announcement in large type printed on the first page, as follows: "This paper is censored by special order of Charles Bonaparte, attorney-general of the United States. Criminal proceedings have been begun against the 'Appeal.' Particulars next week." A particular part of the paper that is censored was evidently a cartoon by Ryan Walker, as the stereotype plate from which the first page is printed has the cartoon's space "routed" entirely, together with half of a half-column story on the attack by the government on the "Appeal."

### GREATLY EXAGGERATED.

NEW BOKHARA, Turkestan, Nov. 1.—The first reports of the catastrophe at Karatagh were greatly exaggerated. Instead of fifteen thousand being killed only about two hundred lives were lost.

### NOTES ISSUED.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Comptroller Ridgely announced that the Treasury had issued \$1,338,000 of circulation notes of various national banks in the country today.

## EMBARGO ON LUMBER

### Northern Pacific Refuses to Haul Shipments.

### CLAIMS NO MOTIVE POWER

### Would Have Placed Embargo Sooner But Was Afraid to Jeopardize Interests in Rate Case—Not in Retaliation of Injunction.

### BELLINGHAM, Wash., No. 1.—It developed today that the Northern Pacific has established an embargo on lumber and shingle shipments to all points East of Spokane, not in retaliation for the federal injunction, preventing the enforcement of the new lumber tariff, but because the road is unable to handle its freight traffic. The road, it is alleged by officials here, would have placed an embargo on lumber October 1, but this would have jeopardized its interests as a party defendant to the pending lumbermen's suit and they would run the risk of being forced into receivership. The primary reason for the blockade is the boilermaker's strike which is ordered October 1. It is said that a surprising number of locomotives have become "dead" in unexpected and out of the way places, and strikers are charged with puncturing boilers and doing all they can to hinder the traffic. One trouble has led to another until now transportation on this road is tied up past all immediate hope of relief.

### ILWACO ROAD REPORT.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 1.—The annual report of the Ilwaco Railroad company for the year ending June 30, 1907, shows that its 15.28 miles of road had a net income of \$7,267.67, with percentage of expenses to earnings of 98.58 per cent. This corporation is connected with the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company and was organized under the laws of Oregon. It operates between Ilwaco and Nahcotta.

### YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL GAMES.

At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 1, Portland 0.  
At San Francisco—Oakland 2, San Francisco 0.

### JENKINS APPOINTED.

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—W. H. Jenkins has been appointed traveling passenger agent of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon, vice John Paul Jones, deceased.

## CLOSE ESCAPE FROM DEATH

### Train Strikes Woman and Child.

### THROWN FROM TRESTLE

### Falls Twenty-Five Feet to Rocks Below and Sustains Severe Injuries.

### BOY HANGS TO THE TRESTLE

### Younger Girl Was Thrown From Bridge But Was Caught on Projecting Timber and Saved From Serious Injury—Medical Assistance Summoned.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 1.—Struck by a train on the Yaocot branch of the Northern Pacific Railway, Mrs. Ziegler, who resides near Yaocot, was thrown from a high trestle last evening and received painful but not very serious injuries. The exact cause of the accident is not clearly known, as during the night Mrs. Ziegler did not recover consciousness sufficiently to give a clear account of her movements. Where the road crosses the Lewis River, five miles south of Yaocot, there is a long and rather high trestle, and it was at this point that the accident occurred. The track is straight and comparatively clear at this location, and that the injured woman did not see the train in time to escape, or was not noticed by the engineer, is a mystery.

At the time Mrs. Ziegler, accompanied by her two children, one a boy of about 11 years, and the other a girl much younger, was walking across the trestle. She had arrived about the center of the trestle when apparently she heard the train and stepped aside onto the end of the ties to allow the train to pass her. Having the two children to care for she was not able to step sufficiently far out and was struck by the engine. Mrs. Ziegler fell 25 feet, striking on the rocky river bank. Her head was badly cut and several ribs were fractured.

Crouching as far out as possible, the boy was caught by the steps of the cars, but managed to retain his hold of the ties and was not thrown off. That he had a narrow escape is evidenced by the fact that the passing cars tore off part of his coat. The younger girl was thrown off from the trestle, but caught on a projecting timber and escaped injury. As soon as possible the boy descended from the trestle, and finding his mother unable to move, ran to a neighboring logging camp, where he informed the men of the accident. These men immediately went to Mrs. Ziegler's assistance, and she was carried to a house at the camp, while medical attendance was summoned from Yaocot.

### JAPANESE WILL CELEBRATE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The Japanese of New York will celebrate the 61st birthday of their Emperor by a mass meeting at Carnegie Hall. The Emperor's birthday falls on Sunday. The gathering, it is said, will be the first mass meeting of Japanese ever held in this city.

The entertainment will consist of addresses by prominent Japanese residents, Japanese music, a theatrical performance by Mme. Hanako and an exhibition of wrestling and jiu jitsu.

### FINANCES IMPROVE.

### Eastern Situation Relieved by Currency Engagements.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The financial situation is gradually clearing today without showing any striking features. Runs on banks and Trust Companies are practically over. Money is flowing into the stronger banks and currency being provided in most cases where the demand is considered legitimate. Further engagement of gold by Boston and other points brought the total engagements abroad under the recent movement to \$26,550,000. The Lusitania sail-

ed from Liverpool today with \$10,000,000 in gold. The prices of exchange are firm during the early part of the day and did not yield seriously at any time. Stock Exchanges in London and Paris closed on account of All Saints Day will not permit of comparisons. Balances at the clearing house settled down to normal condition practically. Reasonable demands are being met to regular customers of the banks.

### CLUBHOUSES BURNED.

### Fire at Brooklyn Causes Loss of Over \$100,000.

BROOKLYN, Nov. 1.—Eleven boat-clubs and fishing club-houses and the big hotel, with some other buildings at Howards, on the trestle across Jamaica Bay, were destroyed by fire last night. The loss is said to be in excess of \$100,000. The entire group of buildings, with one or two exceptions, was burned down. The fire being out on the trestle, no fire apparatus could reach it from Woodhaven, the nearest land point, and there was nothing to do after the fire was well started but to let it burn. For a time it threatened the Long Island Railroad trestle, but this was saved by the fire itself. There was a board path leading from the station on the trestle back to the buildings grouped on the hummock.

In this there was a drawbridge. The fire burned along this walk to the bridge, and there burned one end of it so that the whole of the swinging structure fell from its pivot into the water, making a gap in the structure which the fire could not leap.

The origin of the fire is not known. It is thought possible that mice got at matches and set them off in the Kill Time House. No one was about the building at the time or during the day.

## GOLD EXCITEMENT

### Big Strike at Valdez in Placer Claims.

### PAY STREAK \$3 TO THE PAN

### Miner Returns From Head of Sushitna River and Reports Biggest Thing Ever Struck in Alaska—Every Creek Prospected is Rich.

VALDEZ, Alaska, Nov. 1.—Another big strike of gold in Alaska may be the medium of adjusting the financial panic in the United States.

The big strike is reported to have been made and the new placers are said to be the biggest thing yet located in this territory. There is great excitement here.

Thomas Meredith, a well known California miner, arrived this morning from Valdez Creek, at the head of the Sushitna river, and says that a placer strike has been made there by Peter Monahan which is the biggest thing ever struck in Alaska. Monahan has 40 feet of pay streak in sight, which is running from \$1 to \$3 to the pan. Monahan will arrive here soon with the dust from his cleanup, which will run into the five figures.

The news has already caused much excitement and it is predicted that a stampede of large proportions will be on within the next 10 days. Meredith came out for supplies and will return with his dog team in a few days to the new diggings. Every creek prospected here is rich.

### RUSSIANS ON CARPET.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 1.—Captain Baron Fersen, commander of the Port of Vladivostok and formerly Russian Naval Attaché at Washington, his Assistant Captain Glizan and Col. Silman, Chief Quartermaster were officially reprimanded on account of the Vladivostok mutiny. Silman's reprimand was most severe and intended to indicate that the mutiny was not purely revolutionary, but based on severe conditions, to a certain extent.

### CANNOT AVERT STRIKE.

LONDON, Eng., Nov. 1.—Notwithstanding powerful influences which are being brought to bear, the hope of averting the strike of railway employes is about over. A long list of grievances has been presented but the exact one is the principle of recognition of the union. About 100,000 men will be affected.

## HITCHCOCK STILL FLEES

### Noted Actor Cannot Be Found.

### MAY BE IN CANADA

### Another Theory Advanced is That Comedian is Insane.

### ONE GIRL HAS DISAPPEARED

### Bella McKenzie Said to Have Accompanied Hitchcock—Said to Have Been Seen on European Steamer—Wireless Message Sent to Majestic.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The latest police theory regarding the whereabouts of Raymond Hitchcock, the comedian who disappeared on the evening of his indictment and probable trial on charges made by several young girls, is that the fugitive has gone to Canada. A railroad conductor who is sure his train took Hitchcock and two companions as far as North Adams, Mass., yesterday, furnished the clue. It is learned that while in North Adams the men asked about the quickest route to Manchester, N. H., or Rutland, Vt. Late Wednesday night, according to advices received here, the men were seen in Bennington, Vt., so it is presumed they were making for Canada as fast as possible. It is said that if Hitchcock has fled across the border he will be safe there from extradition as the crime with which he is charged is not extraditable.

Mrs. Hitchcock, wife of the actor, is bearing up bravely despite the keen anguish caused by her husband's plight and his apparent abandonment of her. She has taken her place in the "Yankee Tourist," the play in which Hitchcock was the star, appearing at every performance since her husband disappeared and going through the part as if nothing had happened. Though she is putting on a brave front and hoping for the best, it is said that inwardly she fears that Hitchcock has committed suicide. This is also said to be the belief of a number of close friends of the actor, who point to the fact that when he left home he was in no way prepared for flight and had but a few dollars in his pocket.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The bondsmen of Raymond Hitchcock are given five days in which to deliver the comedian to the court where he is charged with offenses against two young girls. It is hinted today that the actor is living quietly in this city and will be ready to face his accusers when the case is called next Wednesday. Bella McKenzie, one of the accusers, is missing. She left her lodgings about the time Hitchcock was indicted. She is said to have met him since the trouble began.

### LATER.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—Dr. F. Sefton, an alienist of national reputation, says he has not the slightest doubt that Actor Raymond Hitchcock is insane. Sefton has been a friend of the Hitchcock family for years Hitchcock's acquaintances at his old home agree with Sefton.

"Hitchcock's father was insane," said Sefton, "and Raymond is the victim of a form of insanity known as obsession." Evidence furnished by the Children's society leads to the belief that Hitchcock is accompanied in his flight by Bella McKenzie, a young girl who disappeared from her home about a month ago. The McKenzie girl met Hitchcock in September, 1906, when he was playing at the Montauk theatre in Brooklyn. At that time she was living at home with several younger brothers and sisters.

It was several months later, while Hitchcock was touring in the far west, that Bella fell into the hands of the Children's society. She made a confession in which she accused Hitchcock of taking her from home.

Information which the police consider reliable has been received at the central

office that Hitchcock took passage at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning on the White Star steamer Majestic, bound for Plymouth, Cherbourg and Southampton. A prominent New Yorker who knows Hitchcock well told a central office detective that he saw the actor board the steamer only a few minutes before she left her pier. He sent word to the police the moment he learned that Hitchcock was a fugitive from justice.

A wireless message was sent from police headquarters to the Majestic's captain, asking him to take Hitchcock into custody, and to turn him over to the English police when the steamer reaches the other side. The message included an accurate description of Hitchcock.

Assistant District Attorney Garvin states that two of the crimes charged against Hitchcock are extraditable offenses.

### AMERICAN WOUNDED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 1.—Three torpedo boats, the Skory, Serdity and Tretyashny, instead of one were involved in the mutiny, and shelled the port, damaging at Vladivostok. The crews hoisted the red flag and shelled the port, damaging buildings and killing soldiers and civilians. The official report shows that a woman on the Skory led the mutiny, the crew rising at her command, killing the commander and wounding the other officers. The United States embassy here has been informed by the consulate at Vladivostok that Harry Nietert, an employe of the Pacific Commercial Company, was the American wounded during own crew after six of the mutineers had the bombardment.

Nearly all the mutinous sailors on the Skory were killed, four survivors throwing themselves into the sea. The mutiny on the Tretyashny was quelled by her been killed.

## MURDEROUS ONSET

### Hoodlums Fire on Bunkhouses to Slay Hindoos.

### ONE BULLET TAKES EFFECT

### Bingwan Singh, a Laborer, Probably Fatally Injured as Result of Shooting—Ground in Vicinity of Bunkhouse Strewn With Shells.

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—A murderous assault was made by an unknown band of Halloween hoodlums on the bunkhouse of the Jarl & Pugh Bros.' mills, four miles east of Boring, at 10:30 o'clock last night, with the apparently avowed purpose of assassinating three Hindoos who were asleep within.

Repeated volleys were fired from rifles and revolvers, a total of about 30 shots having been poured into the walls of the house. Only one bullet took effect, fact one probably fatally wounding Bingwan Singh, crashing clean through his thigh and coming out in the front of the pelvic cavity.

The names of the two companions of the wounded man, who this afternoon was brought into town on a special O. W. P. car and taken to the Good Samaritan hospital by Holman's ambulance, were not given. The extent of his injuries are unknown, but the unfortunate victim is so weak from loss of blood that he is unable to speak. His companions can scarcely make themselves understood in English, so further details of the shooting are not available at this time.

C. Pugh, of the firm of Jarl & Pugh Bros., came into town with the wounded man and his companions and his story of the affair throws but little light on the events leading up to the attack or afford any clue as to the perpetrators of the deed. The ground in the vicinity of the bunkhouse, according to Mr. Pugh, is strewn with empty shells of various kinds and sizes, while the bunkhouse walls are riddled. Some of the shells carried 25-35 rifle balls and Constable Drew, of Boring, is now conducting an investigation, while the office of Sheriff Beatty, of Clackamas county, at Oregon City, has been notified of the affair.

### MEETS PAY ROLLS.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Nov. 1.—At a meeting of the local clearing-house association arrangements were made for the large pay-rolls of the lumber mills tomorrow with cash. About \$200,000 will be distributed.

## BANKS WILL SOON OPEN

### Bankers Will Transact Business Monday.

### MORE HOLIDAY RUMOR

### Statement That Governor Would Issue Another Proclamation.

### DEPOSITORS NEEDN'T WORRY

### Prominent Banker of Astoria Says Portland Situation is Improving—More Holidays May be Declared But Only From Day to Day.

SALEM, Nov. 1.—It is reported here today from creditable sources that Governor Chamberlain will continue to keep in force the legal holidays during next week, but it is also stated that the holidays will be declared only from day to day.

The action of the Governor is taken to protect the Portland bankers, who have placed before his Excellency the undisputable proof that if the holidays are declared off before they can realize on their eastern resources they may be compelled to suspend as the currency supply on the Coast is not sufficient to meet all demands.

The foregoing rumor was confirmed last evening by a prominent banker of Astoria, who, when questioned about the matter, admitted that the Portland banks had asked for further extension of the holidays until such time as the coin shipments being made from the East shall arrive. He also stated that there was no reason for any alarm, as the banks are perfectly solvent, but at this time of the year currency supplies center in the East, and the immense sums which are being paid out for the year's crops, and that have not reentered into circulation, are the primary cause for the present stringency.

At a late hour last evening the Astorian was informed that the banks here would open for the transaction of business, in spite of any action that the Governor might take.

This is good news to our citizens, who while they have felt no apprehension as to the integrity of our banks, have nevertheless been inconvenienced by the closing.

Mr. S. S. Gordon of the First National Bank returned from Portland yesterday evening and when approached as to what action the banks here would take in view of the foregoing rumor, said:

"The banks here will open Monday morning and resume business. It will be understood, however, that limited payments of currency must be the rule until specie that is in the United States sub-treasury at San Francisco, can reach Portland, which will be in a few days. No alarm is felt by bankers, business men or depositors in Portland, and business is being conducted the same as usual, except that in place of currency, clearing-house checks are being handled. Depositors have no cause for alarm, and in a few days cash to meet all demands will be here."

### ATTEMPT ASSAULT.

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—Annes Albers, the 16-year-old daughter of Bernard Albers, president of the Albers Brothers Milling company narrowly escaped being made the victim of a fiendish assault at noon today as she was leaving the bridge across Sullivan's gulch on East Twelfth street. The young girl was grabbed by a roughly dressed undersized man just as she left the bridge and dragged half way down the embankment under the bridge but escaped without injury through the prompt interference of Fred Stuart, a machinist employed by J. A. Roebling's Sons company on First street.

A subject who gives his name as J. A. Anderson, was arrested as he was crossing Hawthorne park and was taken to the machine shop for identification by Stuart.